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that she " would give her a good whipping ". She washed the doll, and said, " Say good-night to Mrs. I.", made it kiss her, and then told it, " Go straight to bed, and don't fiddle about and do such horrid things." Priscilla was in a mood of defiance herself just before this, saying that she would " tell her daddy not to give you any money ", although she " would come to school all the same " ; and threatening to spoil some number cards. Then this doll episode followed, after which she settled down and was more friendly and constructive.

8.2.26. Phineas spilled some cocoa on the table when drinking, and Priscilla said to Mrs. I., " Tell him he's naughty/

8.3.26. Tommy urinated in the garden to-day, alone, and told Mrs. I. to go away when she went near him.

9.3.26. Priscilla said she had told her daddy that they had " been running about doing naughty things ",

18.3.26. Priscilla was very hostile this morning, and made the others so. She was angry at one moment when Mrs. L and Miss B. spoke to each other and laughed together at some point. She said, " You were laughing at MS, you horrid things."

19.3.26. (See incident re Priscilla in FAMILY PLAY.)

13.4.26. While looking for some lost article, Priscilla and Dan walked into a bed of poppies and irises in Miss B.'s garden. Mrs. I. asked them not to walk there. Later they took a rug, spread it out on this bed, and lay down on it, crushing the plants. Mrs. I. asked them, " Would you like it if Miss B. did that to your gardens ? " They replied, " Oh, will you tell her ? Oh, we'll do it to our own "—and both pulled up a few plants in their own beds.

29.4.26. Tommy and Herbert put some dried peas down a hole in the floor. Alfred, seeing this, called out, " You mustn't do that—it's naughty, it's naughty." When Mrs. I. said that they might if they wanted to, he joined them, and did it with greater eagerness and insistence than any of the others.

10.5.26. Mrs. I. gave each of the older children a pen and

ink bottle. Dexter refused the pen, saying, " I'm not allowed to use ink " ; although Mrs. I. replied that in school all the children were allowed to use ink, he insisted that he was not and refused the pen. She therefore passed it on to Christopher as his was old and poor. Later on Dexter asked for it, and Mrs. I. said she would get him one for the next day. He was insistent about having it at once, saying, " If you don't give me a pen, I shan't come to this school."

17.5.26. Priscilla had sprained her ankle a few days ago, and had to be kept off her feet. This led to her sitting in the pram in the afternoon, and being pushed about as the " baby ", with Dan as the " mummy ", talking in baby language. She